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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Wendell D. Willingham et al.

Wendell D. Willingham et al.  
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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This paper is in reply to the Office Action that was mailed on April 22, 2004, which set a 3 month shortened statutory period for reply thereto.

The aforesaid Office Action was made final. This reply is being accompanied by a Request For Continued Examination and a Petition for an extension within the first month.

Re-examination of this application is respectfully requested based on the following amendments and remarks.